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Low-overhead memory leak detection using adaptive statistical profiling

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Sampling has been successfully used to identify performance optimization opportunities. We would like to apply similar techniques to check program correctness. Unfortunately, sampling provides poor coverage of infrequently executed code, where bugs often lurk. We describe an adaptive profiling scheme that addresses this by sampling executions of code segments at a rate inversely proportional to their execution frequency. To validate our ideas, we have implemented SWAT, a novel memory leak detect ...

Keywords: low-overhead monitoring, memory leaks, runtime analysis

Symbolic pointer analysis for detecting memory leaks

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It is well accepted that pointers are a common source of memory anomalies such as loosing references to dynamic records without deallocating them (also known as memory leaks). This paper presents a novel pointer analysis framework that detects memory leaks by statically analyzing the behavior of programs.

Our approach is based on symbolic evaluation of programs. Symbolic evaluation is an advanced static symbolic analysis that is centered around symbolic variable values, assumptions ab ...

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Bell: bit-encoding online memory leak detection

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Memory leaks compromise availability and security by crippling performance and crashing programs. Leaks are difficult to diagnose because they have no immediate symptoms. Online leak detection tools benefit from storing and reporting per-object *sites* (e.g., allocation sites) for potentially leaking objects. In programs with many small objects, per-object sites add high space overhead, limiting their use in production environments. This paper introduces *Bit-Encoding Leak Location* (Be ...

Keywords: low-overhead monitoring, managed languages, memory leaks, probabilistic approaches

4 Cork: dynamic memory leak detection for garbage-collected languages

Maria Jump, Kathryn S. McKinley

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A memory leak in a garbage-collected program occurs when the program inadvertently maintains references to objects that it no longer needs. Memory leaks cause systematic heap growth, degrading performance and resulting in program crashes after perhaps days or weeks of execution. Prior approaches for detecting memory leaks rely on heap differencing or detailed object statistics which store state proportional to the number of objects in the heap. These overheads preclude their use on the sa ...

Keywords: dynamic, garbage collection, memory leak detection, memory leaks, runtime analysis

⁵ Context- and path-sensitive memory leak detection

Yichen Xie, Alex Aiken

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We present a context- and path-sensitive algorithm for detecting memory leaks in programs with explicit memory management. Our leak detection algorithm is based on an underlying escape analysis: any allocated location in a procedure P that is not deallocated in P and does not escape from P is leaked. We achieve very precise context- and path-sensitivity by expressing our analysis using boolean constraints. In experiments with six large open source projects our analysis produ ...

Keywords: boolean satisfiability, error detection, memory leaks, memory management,

6 Memory leak detection in C++

Cal Erickson

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It's never too soon to fix bugs, and you canstart using these tools as soon as your project will compile.

7 Memory allocation: Gated memory control for memory monitoring, leak detection and



garbage collection

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In the past, program monitoring often operates at the code level, performing checks at function and loop boundaries. Recent research shows that profiling analysis can identify high-level phases in complex binary code. Examples are time steps in scientific simulations and service cycles in utility programs. Because of their larger size and more predictable behavior, program phases make it possible for more accurate and longer term predictions of program behavior, especially its memory usage. This ...

Keywords: memory leak, memory usage monitoring, object life, preventive memory management, program phase

8 Research papers: test & analysis III: Static detection of leaks in polymorphic



containers

David L. Heine, Monica S. Lam

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This paper presents the first practical static analysis tool that can find memory leaks and double deletions of objects held in polymorphic containers. This is especially important since most dynamically allocated objects are stored in containers. The tool is based on the concept of object ownership: every object has one and only one *owning* pointer. The owning pointer holds the exclusive right and obligation to either delete the object or to transfer the obligation. This paper presents a n ...

Keywords: error detection, memory leaks, memory management, program analysis, type systems

⁹ Memory leak detection in embedded systems

Cal Erickson

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Erickson discusses some of the best tools for memory leak detection for embedded programmers.

10 On the usefulness of type and liveness accuracy for garbage collection and leak



Martin Hirzel, Amer Diwan, Johannes Henkel

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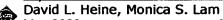
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The effectiveness of garbage collectors and leak detectors in identifying dead objects depends on the *accuracy* of their reachability traversal. Accuracy has two orthogonal dimensions: (i) whether the reachability traversal can distinguish between pointers and nonpointers (*type accuracy*), and (ii) whether the reachability traversal can identify memory locations that will be dereferenced in the future (*liveness accuracy*). This article presents an experimental study of the impo ...

Keywords: Conservative garbage collection, leak detection, liveness accuracy, program analysis, type accuracy

11 A practical flow-sensitive and context-sensitive C and C++ memory leak detector



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This paper presents a static analysis tool that can automatically find memory leaks and deletions of dangling pointers in large C and C++ applications. We have developed a type system to formalize a practical ownership model of memory management. In this model, every object is pointed to by one and only one *owning* pointer, which holds the exclusive right and obligation to either delete the object or to transfer the right to another owning pointer. In addition, a pointer-typed class member ...

Keywords: error detection, memory leaks, memory management, program analysis, type systems

12 Static detection of dynamic memory errors



David Evans

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Many important classes of bugs result from invalid assumptions about the results of functions and the values of parameters and global variables. Using traditional methods, these bugs cannot be detected efficiently at compile-time, since detailed cross-procedural analyses would be required to determine the relevant assumptions. In this work, we introduce annotations to make certain assumptions explicit at interface points. An efficient static checking tool that exploits these annotations can dete ...

13 HeapMD: identifying heap-based bugs using anomaly detection

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We present the design, implementation, and evaluation of HeapMD, a dynamic analysis tool that finds heap-based bugs using anomaly detection. HeapMD is based upon the observation that, in spite of the evolving nature of the heap, several of its properties remain stable. HeapMD uses this observation in a novel way: periodically, during the execution of the program, it computes a suite of metrics which are sensitive to the state of the heap. These metrics track heap behavior, and the stability of t ...

Keywords: anomaly detection, bugs, debugging, heap, metrics

14 Efficient detection of all pointer and array access errors

Todd M. Austin, Scott E. Breach, Gurindar S. Sohi

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We present a pointer and array access checking technique that provides complete error coverage through a simple set of program transformations. Our technique, based on an extended safe pointer representation, has a number of novel aspects. Foremost, it is the first technique that detects all spatial and temporal access errors. Its use is not limited by the expressiveness of the language; that is, it can be applied successfully to compiled or interpreted languages with subscripted and mutabl ...

15 AccMon: Automatically Detecting Memory-Related Bugs via Program Counter-Based

Invariants

Pin Zhou, Wei Liu, Long Fei, Shan Lu, Feng Qin, Yuanyuan Zhou, Samuel Midkiff, Josep **Torrellas**

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This paper makes two contributions to architectural support for software debugging. First, it proposes a novel statistics-based, on-the-fly bug detectionmethod called PC-based invariant detection. The idea is based on the observation that, in most programs, a given memory location is typically accessed by only a few instructions. Therefore, by capturing the invariant of the set of PCs that normally access a given variable, we can detect accesses by outlier instructions, which are often caused by ...

16 OOPSLA practitioner reports chair's welcome: The dynamics of changing dynamic

memory allocation in a large-scale C++ application Neil B. Harrison, John H. Meiners

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Changing the approach to dynamic memory allocation in a large legacy application is challenging. In order to improve the robustness of memory allocation, we fundamentally changed it. We replaced standard heap allocation with class-specific heaps. We were able to do it with almost no changes to the existing class code by overriding the C++ new() and delete() operators, and using templates creatively to insert the changes into class hierarchies. The results have been very positive. Misuse of dynami ...

Keywords: curiously recurring template pattern, memory management, templates

17 ARCHER: using symbolic, path-sensitive analysis to detect memory access errors

Yichen Xie, Andy Chou, Dawson Engler

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Memory corruption errors lead to non-deterministic, elusive crashes. This paper describes ARCHER (*ARray CHeckER*) a static, effective memory access checker. ARCHER uses path-sensitive, interprocedural symbolic analysis to bound the values of both variables and memory sizes. It evaluates known values using a constraint solver at every array access, pointer dereference, or call to a function that expects a size parameter. Accesses that violate constraints are flagged as errors. Those that ar ...

Keywords: buffer overflow, buffer overrun, error detection, memory access errors, security, static analysis

18 Understanding memory allocation of scheme programs

Manuel Serrano, Hans-J. Boehm

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Memory is the performance bottleneck of modern architectures. Keeping memory consumption as low as possible enables fast and unobtrusive applications. But it is not easy to estimate the memory use of programs implemented in functional languages, due to both the complex translations of some high level constructs, and the use of automatic memory managers. To help understand memory allocation behavior of Scheme programs, we have designed two complementary tools. The first one reports on frequency of ...

19 <u>LIFT: A Low-Overhead Practical Information Flow Tracking System for Detecting</u> Security Attacks

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Computer security is severely threatened by software vulnerabilities. Prior work shows that information flow tracking (also referred to as taint analysis) is a promising technique to detect a wide range of security attacks. However, current information flow tracking systems are not very practical, because they either require program annotations, source code, non-trivial hardware extensions, or incur prohibitive runtime overheads. This paper proposes a low overhead, software-only information flow ...

20 Checkmate: cornering C++ dynamic memory errors with checked pointers



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Pointer errors are stumbling blocks for student and veteran programmers alike. Although languages such as Java use references to protect programmers from pointer pitfalls, the use of garbage collection dictates that languages like C++ will still be used for real-time mission-critical applications. Pointers will stay in the classroom as long as they're used in industry, so as educators, we must find better ways to teach them. This paper presents checked pointers, a simple wr ...

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